

Application No. 10/587,801

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT dated January 22, 2010

Reply to Office Action of December 31, 2009

REMARKS/ARGUMENT

The Applicants respond under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 to the restriction requirement of the Office Action of December 31, 2009.

The Examiner applies a restriction requirement to elect an invention for examination. Specifically, the Examiner requires the Applicants to elect between seven groups of inventions.

The Applicants elect with traverse Group I, as identified by the Examiner. Group I consists of claims 10 and 11 drawn to fungicidal composition and method wherein the compound of formula (I) is combined with a triazole derivative such as azaconazole or cyproconazole. The Applicants elect Example 1 of Compound 1 and tebuconazole as a representative species for examination.

The claims readable on the elected species include claims 1 through 11. No change in inventorship is caused by this election.

Favorable consideration of the application is requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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